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In re Application of Payne, Coelho & Hawash Application No.: 09/964,951 Filed: September 27, 2001

Attorney Docket No.: 042390.P12155
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

PROCESSING INPUTS INTO A COMPUTING

DEVICE

DECISION ACCORDING STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is a decision on the reconsideration petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed May 29, 2002.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioners have shown that the non-signing inventors, Rohan Coelho and Maher M. Hawash, have refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. Mr. Hawash expressly refused to sign the declaration after admitting he received the application papers, as is shown in the e-mail exhibit to Gregg A. Peacock's declaration. The declaration of Virginia Velazquez establishes that Mr. Coelho was mailed the application papers, including the specification, claims and drawings, but failed to respond to the request that he sign the declaration. Petitioners have submitted a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

This file is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 2644 for examination in due course.

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